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1. On 21 January 1955 the Cultural Section (Kulturno prosvjetnog odjeljenja) of the Yugoslav General Staff issued an order signed by Colonel Dusan Dozet which directed all army headquarters to step up the orientation of soldiers on the question of "religion and other prejudices." The order stated: "In our army every soldier should receive a minimal socialistic education, as prescribed in the regulations governing military training, and an important part of this education should be the liberation of our soldiers' minds from religious error. An inquiry in various units has revealed that not enough attention has been paid to this problem. We must be governed by the principle: 'Every soldier should have given up religion before he is discharged from the army.'"
2. According to the order, all headquarters and garrisons would immediately have to organize anti-religious seminars for the troops. Political functionaries, Party officials, and university instructors could be called upon to lend their services. The following course of instruction is suggested:
  - a. Basic Principles Governing the Universe and the Heavenly Bodies (two lectures);
  - b. How the World Began (one lecture);
  - c. How Life Began on Earth (two lectures);
  - d. The Development of Man (two lectures);
  - e. The Development of Religion;
  - f. The History of Christianity: Catholicism, Protestantism, the Orthodox Church;

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- g. Islam;
  - h. Religion in the Service of the Ruling Classes (two lectures);
  - i. Religion as a Means for the Enslavement of the Masses (two lectures);
  - j. The Church as a Political and Economic Power (two lectures);
  - k. The Church's Fight Against Science (two lectures);
  - l. The Church's Fight Against Social Reform and New Ideas (two lectures);
  - m. The Clergy in the Service of the Oppressors and Imperialists (three lectures); and
  - n. The Work of the Clergy Against the New Yugoslavia (three lectures).
3. The order went on to warn that the attitudes of the soldiers attending the lectures should be observed. Stern measures should be taken against anyone engaging in counter-propaganda.

1. Comment: This is presumably the Colonel Dusan Dozet who served in the 3rd Military District in July 1953.

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